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Natwar M. Gandhi Chief Financial Officer

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Phil Mendelson

Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi

Chief Financial Officer

DATE: July 1, 2013

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement - "Veteran Status Driver's License Designation

Amendment Act of 2013"

REFERENCE: Bill 20-231, Draft Committee Print shared with the Office of Revenue

Analysis on June 20, 2013

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the proposed FY 2014 through FY 2017 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

Background

The bill requires the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to place the word 'veteran' in capital letters on the driver's license or identification card of an individual who was discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States under conditions other than dishonorable. An applicant for veteran's driver's license will be asked to prove his or her veteran status before receiving such a license.¹

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the proposed FY 2014 through FY 2017 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. The Department of Motor Vehicles is updating its license and identification card formats and the cost of the bill's implementation will be absorbed in those efforts. DMV expects to complete these updates by October 1, 2013, which is the bill's applicability date.²

¹ The applicant must present a Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty (DD Form 214), an Honorable Discharge Certificate (DD 256 Form), or an acceptable WD AGO Form such as an Enlisted Record and Report of Separation Honorable Discharge, Certificate of Service, Honorable Discharge from the United States Army, or a Discharge Certificate.

² October 1, 2013 is the bill's applicability date (Section 4 of Bill 20-231).